

Minutes 063010 Core Group

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Agenda Item 1: Review Research from Last Meeting

Entity Types per Marty Zeller:

- Community Stewardship Organization
- Community Foundations
 - Charitable gifts
 - Income generating
- Community Supported Agriculture
 - Buy subscriptions to the agricultural operations
- Community based conservation organizations
 - Henry's Fork
 - Blackfoot Challenge
- Special Trust Funds
 - e.g. Chesapeake Bay Trust, Columbia Basin Trust (US/CA)--investment arm and capital arm

Perhaps need pieces of each one.

Elements of the "Stewardship Trust"

- Nonprofit
- Work with public and private partners
- Sustainable natural resources
- Economic quality of WF
 - Look to regional land trusts as model for board--expertise, etc.
- Key attributes: conservation, stewardship and revenue
- Key Elements: Attract enough capital to a sustainably fund efforts, have seed funds

Next step is to identify transactions that can help establish this fund. Philanthropic components, commercial partnerships will be key.

Elements of Recreational lease framework:

Diane reviewed outline of elements of recreation lease program. Mike Jenson has been in contact with the Scottsdale trail systems and has concerns about the revenue generating component of a public trail

system. FWP had an idea for community forestry efforts which combine recreation, forestry and conservation.

Bob Sandman cautioned folks to focus on what we want to see on the landscape, not what we don't.

Mike Collins remarked that the DNRC is in the role of the landlord which has a revenue generating component.

Bob Sandman reported that DNRC intends to contract for a report on mechanisms and valuation for recreational uses.

Alan Wood questioned whether DNRC had already done a study when it decided to implement the recreational use fee.

Meeting adjourned.